

## TRUE NORTHERNER.

O. W. ROWLAND, Editor.

PAW PAW, MICHIGAN, AUG. 7, 1884.

### REPUBLICAN TICKET.

For President—  
JAMES G. BLAINE, of Maine.  
For Vice President—  
JOHN A. LOGAN, of Illinois.

### Republican State Convention.

A Republican State Convention to nominate candidates for State Officers and Electors for President and Vice-President of the United States and for the transaction of other business, will be held in Whitney's Opera House in the city of Detroit at 11 o'clock A. M. on Wednesday, August 14th, 1884.  
Van Buren County will be entitled to thirteen delegates in the convention.

### Republican County Convention.

The Republicans of Van Buren County will hold a delegate county convention, at Marshall's hall, at 11 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of electing 13 delegates to the State Convention, to be held in the city of Detroit, at 11 o'clock A. M., August 14th, 1884; also 13 delegates to the Fourth Congressional District Convention, and 13 delegates to the State Senatorial Convention, hereafter to be called, and for the transaction of such other business as may be deemed necessary and may properly come before the convention.

The several townships of the county will be entitled to the following representation: Arlington 6, Almena 4, Antwerp 3, Bloomingdale 7, Bangor 11, Columbia 4, Covert 4, Decatur 4, Genoa 5, Hartford 5, Hamilton 4, Keeler 5, Lawrence 8, Paw Paw 12, Pine Grove 7, Porter 5, South Haven 9, Waverly 5.  
Total 129 delegates.  
DR. J. ANDREWS, Paw Paw, Chairman,  
Geo. E. BRICK, Paw Paw, Secretary,  
J. F. BARROWS, Lawrence,  
G. B. BROWNING, Decatur,  
CHAS. MORTIMER, Hartford,  
S. S. CROSS, Bangor,  
JAS. H. JOHNSON, South Haven,  
Geo. W. MYERS, Gobles.  
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### Republican Congressional Convention.

A republican congressional convention of the Fourth District, to nominate a Representative in Congress and to appoint a congressional committee, will be held at Kelsey's Hall in Three Rivers, on Friday, August 16th, 1884, at 10 o'clock in the afternoon. The counties of the district will be entitled to delegates as follows: Berrien, 16; Cass 10; Kalamazoo, 14; St. Joseph, 12; Van Buren, 13.  
FRANKLIN WELLS, Chairman,  
Geo. S. CLAPP,  
EMERY H. SIMPSON,  
ELIAS MORRIS,  
CHAS. S. DAYTON.

The Paw Paw Herald says "Gen. Butler has already accepted the National nomination for president." This will, doubtless, satisfy those anxious greenbackers who have been wondering what Butler intended to do. They had not heard of his acceptance, nor has anybody else besides the Herald. Van's "little bird" told him.

The county convention to be held on Friday next, at Lawrence, will select delegates to the state, congressional and senatorial conventions. The only thing over which there seems to be any probability of a controversy, is the congressional delegation. The Republicans of Van Buren County have, in times past, frequently differed in opinion in regard to candidates, but they have demonstrated that they can have lively contests over the selection of standard bearers, and acquiesce in the choice of their conventions. We believe they will again show that they fight their battles within the party, before the nominations are made, and unite to fight the common enemy afterward. Whatever may be the outcome of our own county convention, and of the congressional convention to be held at Three Rivers on the 15th inst., all good republicans will abide the result and heartily support the nomination there made by the delegates. Whether our standard bearer in the 4th congressional district shall be J. J. Woodman, J. C. Burrows, E. W. Keightley, or some other of the prominent and able republicans of the district, the honor will fall upon a man worthy of the united support of the party, and, we doubt not, that such support will be willingly, cheerfully and zealously given, and that the candidate there placed in nomination be triumphantly elected.

A notable illustration of democratic reform is manifest in the seven months record of the adjourned congress. All the more important measures demanding its attention were either defeated or neglected. The democratic war cry is "tariff reform," yet the democratic House failed to make any change in the tariff laws. Needed legislation with reference to silver coinage and currency matters was withheld; the trade dollar nuisance not abated; the so much demanded bankruptcy act, and the law for the relief of the federal courts were not passed; stringent measures for the suppression of polygamy should have been enacted, but were not; a constitutional amendment regulating the conditions of marriage, legitimacy and divorce should have been submitted, but was not; the presidential succession should have been provided for, but no action thereon was had; postal telegraphy should have been established, but it was neglected; a law should have been enacted providing for and regulating foreign copyrights, but it was omitted; an international code of sea signals ought to have been provided, but was not. All these important measures and many others were neglected, rejected, tabled, or died a natural death in the democratic House of Representatives. Several of these necessary bills were acted on in the Senate—the bankruptcy bill, an anti-polygamy bill, and measures to regulate the Presidential succession and the electoral count—but nothing was done with them in the House, by the self styled and self ordained democratic reformers, who controlled that body.

### Fourth Congressional District Political Points.

Cass county's ten delegates stand 6 for Barrows and 4 for Clisbee.  
St. Joseph county has instructed its delegates, twelve in number, to vote for Hon. E. W. Keightley for congress.  
Kalamazoo county has resolved in favor of Hon. J. C. Burrows for Congress and will give him her 14 votes. She also favors Hon. C. G. Luce for Governor.

### The Governorship.

Of course the result of the vote for a candidate for governor in the approaching republican state convention cannot be foretold. The contest, however, seems to be narrowed down to two prominent men—Hon. C. G. Luce and Gen. R. A. Alger. The nomination of either of these men would be a strong one. Mr. Luce is one of our foremost agriculturists, the Master of the State Grange, a man of acknowledged ability and of large public experience, and deservedly popular, especially with the farmers of the state. His nomination would be a source of great satisfaction to a large number of Michigan republicans.

General Alger, is a successful business man, a Michigan soldier with an honorable and enviable military record, a capable and able man, and one who has many warm friends and zealous supporters in the ranks of the republican party. His nomination would be particularly acceptable and gratifying to the old soldiers of the state who would take great pride in supporting a comrade in arms, for the highest office in the state, a thing they have never yet had the privilege or opportunity of doing.

With either one of these men for our standard bearer, victory will be assured.

Albert Goodman, one of the greenback war-horses of Detroit, had the following conversation with a reporter of the Post, when asked to give his views on the probable action of his party in regard to fusion:

"Well, I don't know," said Mr. Goodman. "The fact of the matter is the greenbackers of this state are divided into three factions." "How are they divided?" asked the reporter, counting an interesting party fight.

"They are divided, sir, into fools, d-d fools and G-d-d fools."

"And what is the distinction between the factions?"

"I will tell you. Those who are greenbackers are fools; the d-d fools are those who want to run a ticket; and the G-d-d fools are those who want to have anything to do with the democrats."

"May I ask to which faction you belong?"

"To the fools.—I was asked to give something towards renting a hall for the convention the other day and subscribed \$10 on condition there was no coalition. If they do combine my money is to be returned."

"Do you think there will be fusion?"

"I do not. I see they have declared for fusion in Grand Rapids, but in this city, in Lansing, and all other parts of the state, I believe the party is against it."

"Will you support Butler?"

"I suppose so, to the extent of putting up a flag. With me it is just this way: I was brought up to love God and hate the devil and the democratic party. Now if I can hurt the democrats the most by supporting Butler I am going to do it, and if I can hurt them more by supporting Blaine I am going to do that."

### Hon. Wm. H. Barnum.

"Mule buyer Barnum," the chairman of the National democratic committee, is a man of large wealth, invested mainly in iron mines in this state, and in blast furnaces in the vicinity of Lime Rock, Connecticut. He is one of the chief owners of the stock of the Michigan Mining Co. and of the Iron Cliff Co., which are among the leading mining corporations of Lake Superior; he is also, and has been for many years, the president of each of these companies.

Michigan mine is the main support of the pleasant village of Michigan, and most of the miners there, are men with families, own their homes and have had steady employment at the mines for years.

Last week Mr. Barnum sent a peremptory order to the agent to discharge one hundred and fifty men. This action was wholly unexpected at the mine and its operation is particularly distressing. At the same time he sent orders to the agent of the Iron Cliff Co., to discharge employees from the mines of that company; thus seventy men were suddenly thrown out of employment at the Barnum mine, and also numbers at the Salisbury, Foster and Bessemer, which are all mines belonging to the Iron Cliff company.

This arbitrary action on the part of the president of the companies is altogether unusual. When mining companies decide to cut down their working force, they give previous notice and afford the men a chance to secure work elsewhere.

There are few mining companies on Lake Superior that have such a reputation for penuriousness, selfishness and general disregard for others, as have these companies which are managed by Barnum; a fact which is not due to the local officers, for they are men who are well esteemed. But Barnum's niggardliness and arbitrary dictation are well understood in the mining region, and this sudden and peremptory discharge of so many men, without any consideration of their rights in the matter, is but in keeping with his character. Arbitrary, illiberal, selfish and dogmatic, all the men fear and detest him.

### Nebraska Letter.

Farnell, Greeley Co., Neb., July 22d, 1884  
EDITOR TRUE NORTHERNER:  
Having formerly been a reader of your widely circulated paper, and knowing with what interest the following will be read by many of your present patrons, I submit the following for publication, if thought worthy of a place in your columns.

As a prelude to the terrible calamity recorded below, will say it is two weeks since I came from Phillips county, Kansas, to visit a daughter living here, and with no favorable predictions for this part of Nebraska, had to acknowledge myself pleasantly disappointed with the appearance of country and crops, while riding the fourteen miles from railroad, to reach her home north of Scotia.

Up to last Sunday, the 20th, seasonable rains and sunshine had visited the finely growing crops, and no new crops could present fairer future prospects. On that day at

about four p. m., after an hour of gathering clouds and contrary winds, a storm from the north-west burst upon us, increasing in fury till it was one blinding sheet of water. It was but a few moments before hail was added, in quantities impossible to estimate, with a constant increase of wind and rain, so that hail stones ploughed the ground and bounded to the height of a man's head. Many were as large as hens' eggs, but mostly smaller, making up in quantity what they lacked in size. There were chunks of ice larger than eggs.

After the hail, which only lasted about fifteen minutes, and the rain had abated, my daughter, her husband and myself left their snug little dug-out, so ensconced in and between the hills as to be almost impervious to any storm, to learn the fate of their father's family, about forty rods west, and so situated as to get the full force of the storm. As we raised and descended a short, steep pitch, we came to what appeared a rushing river of rain and hail, covering several rods in width, where but an hour before was beautiful growing corn, high and dry. With the wind and current half knee deep, it proved to be all we could stem and keep our footing. Wading thirty rods of ice water as deep as that, was, doubtless, cold, but so intent was I on learning the fate of my two little children (daughter and grand-daughter) who were at the other house, that I did not think of that. We found all alive and unhurt, but in a sorry condition. The hail had broken every light of glass on the north, five on the west, and one on the east side of the house, causing a suction strong enough to lift the heavy board and sod roof the whole length (36 ft.) of north side, two feet, admitting the storm and driving the inmates into small rooms and corners to escape the blast. Unexpectedly to all, the roof dropped back into place, unharmed.

During the driving storm, while lightning flashed and thunder pealed, the father, a heavy man, stood back against a shelf, and received an electric shock which hurt severely, but caused no permanent injury. My little daughter and other children were crying with fear, older ones sober and speechless with anxiety, while a bachelor friend of the family picked up my little frightened grand-daughter, holding her safely through the storm, and said he should have "made for under the bed" with the little one, if the roof had gone.

While still raining, a Michigan neighbor rode up to the door on horse back, with his little son, young Burr Robbins, wrapped up in a quilt, wanting to leave him while he went to hunt for his team, which had taken his wife, mother and older son to Sunday school, and had broken loose and gone. He feared his folks had started home and been unable to reach it, so, leaving his four year old son alone, he jumped on a pony, rode to a creek that was so swollen as to take the horse out of sight, and had to turn back and go home. By that time a man came to tell him his family were safe, and of the escape of his team, which, strange to say, was recovered without damage. There were about thirty people at Sunday school, in a frame school house, unfinished inside. The sound of the storm on a frame building was terrific, and while at its height, no one could hear his own voice. The north end of the house swayed perceptibly in and out, and all expected it to burst in, but instead, the house was driven southward on its brick foundation, six feet, swaying slightly around to the east. Strong men paled, women seized their children and were determined to go out into the raging elements, but were held back, while a few were calm and collected and able to quiet others. It was a scene that beggars all description. No one was hurt, except a man who had taken shelter in a coal house, and who was severely injured by its overturning.

Water was ankle deep on a level when they left the place and afterwards raised a foot or more, coming into the house several inches, and water was standing like small lakes, hub deep, where it was never wet. Hail was piled in drifts two feet deep, and stones were picked up next morning larger than walnuts.

The country over which the storm raged, five miles in width, length not known, is one vast desolation.

On the quarter section where I am staying, out of twenty acres of crops, the rest nice hay, not a vestige remains but stubble and bare ground, and six acres of timber all destroyed, and many others sharing the same fate. Could not cut hay enough on this place to keep one calf through the winter, yet people are not discouraged, and are already planning recovery for the coming winter; large hearts are opening to help each other, and, with a trust in God, relief will reach them.

I cannot close this recital without reminding its readers of the great and final hail storm of Revelations 16-21.

S. H. BONFAY.

### Extracts From Exchanges.

Our earliest shipment of peaches was the first of last week, which, though they were not very fine specimens, brought one dollar per basket. Since then shipments have largely increased, and on Monday 300 baskets were cleared, and on Wednesday night the Creek took out 500 baskets. The prospect of a large yield is still good.—*Messenger.*

There was quite a general attendance at the railroad meeting Thursday evening and the general expression was for the completion of the narrow-gauge through to the lake. Calvin Fletcher, Esq., was elected chairman of the meeting and Dr. E. B. Moon secretary. Work will be immediately commenced and should be vigorously pushed. Chairman Mackey of the subscription committee desires us to notify the other members of that committee to meet him at the store at eight o'clock next Monday morning to commence active work. The necessary sum of money and the right of way should be obtained before next Saturday night. Hon. Geo. Hamnabe heads the subscription list with \$1,000.—*Sentinel.*

Monday was a rattling good day for accidents. Toward evening a horse standing on the south side of Main street got frightened, and taking a circle to the other side ran the wagon up one of Dr. Palmer's shade trees, while it (the horse) went on, receiving no injury. Shortly after Rob. Olds' black pony, hitched on the same side of the street, broke from its fastenings and also took a circle to the other side, leaving the buggy in a badly demoralized condition around the same tree, while he (the pony) went elsewhere. During one of these runaways John Hubbard left his shop to see what the racket was about, and accidentally putting his crutch through a crack in the sidewalk, was thrown on to his cane and to the walk, badly bruising his face and his ribs worse. He was helped up and he was as good as dead; but he has nearly recovered, and has no notion of going under.—*Day Spring.*

### Henry Ward Beecher's

brother, Rev. W. H. Beecher, of 66 Park Av., Chicago, adds his emphatic testimony to the value of Athioporus as a specific for rheumatic and neuragic affections. He writes: "Have used Athioporus enough to satisfy me that it will certainly cure neuralgia, sciatica, and inflammatory rheumatism, and remove all the sharp pains of chronic rheumatism. I recommend my friends to try it."

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